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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1887.

CASH RECEIVED BY SELECTMEN.

Savings bank tax,	\$418 47	
Literary fund,	51 20	
Railroad tax,	1 28	
	<hr/>	\$470 95

PAID STATE AND COUNTY TAX.

State tax,	\$432 00	
County tax,	314 49	
	<hr/>	\$746 49

FOR THE SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Paid Orlo J. Fisk,	\$815 20
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ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Walter E. Jaquith, building winter bridge,	\$ 8 00	
“ “ “ “ road damage,	60 00	
Solon Mansfield, building bridge,	38 06	
“ “ for bridge plank,	16 92	
S. W. Edwards,	255 85	
M. H. Fisk,	5 44	
G. F. Barker,	175 00	
C. F. Melendy, land damage,	200 00	
“ “ in part payment, new road,	250 00	
“ “ for damage and making winter road,	30 00	
Walter Heald, building and repairing bridges,	56 00	
Solon Mansfield, repairs,	6 89	
J. E. Burton, repairing roads,	21 74	
	<hr/>	\$1123 90

FOR BREAKING ROADS

Paid Samuel Hodkin,	\$14 62
George F. Barker,	29 34
James M. Cutter,	12 30
H. O. Hadley,	9 00
Solon Mansfield,	5 49
Joseph Howard,	6 37
James M. Holden,	8 70
Daniel Jowders,	20 14
George H. Hodkin,	3 00
Horace Fish,	10 76

J. S. Tuttle,	8 60	
J. O. Whitcomb,	34 73	
J. E. Burton,	21 49	
W. D. Holt,	5 25	
Walter Heald,	18 35	
B. M. Heald,	20 55	
D. C. Bragdon,	10 68	
C. F. Melendy,	49 12	
C. E. Rockwood,	19 66	
M. H. Fisk,	34 48	
N. A. Child,	9 75	
	<hr/>	\$352 38

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Solon Mansfield, selectman,	\$33 50	
M. H. Fisk, selectman,	26 25	
Walter Heald, selectman,	18 50	
C. E. Rockwood, treasurer,	10 00	
C. P. Hayward, town clerk,	17 90	
W. D. Holt, collector,	20 00	
O. J. Fisk, superintendent of schools,	30 00	
W. P. Bacon, auditor,	1 00	
J. S. Tuttle, auditor,	1 00	
E. E. Colburn, supervisor,	6 00	
W. P. Bacon, supervisor,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$166 15

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid G. F. Barker, repairing road machine,	\$16 80	
Solon Mansfield, repairing road machine,	6 13	
S. W. Edwards, care of cemeteries,	8 00	
W. D. Holt, discount on taxes,	76 78	
For cutting brush,	3 50	
For keeping tramps,	3 00	
For watering tubs,	9 00	
S. A. Hall, for keeping road machine,	5 00	
Use of Union hall,	25 00	
Abatement of taxes,	2 44	
	<hr/>	\$155 65

RECAPITULATION.

Paid state and county tax,	\$746 49	
For support of schools,	815 20	
Highways and bridges,	1123 90	
Breaking roads,	352 38	
Town officers,	166 15	
Miscellaneous expenses,	155 65	
	<hr/>	\$3359 77

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts, and find them correct.

W. P. BACON, }
JAMES S. TUTTLE, } Auditors.

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN.

AVAILABLE ASSETS.

Money in the treasury, March 1, 1887,	\$80 42	
Balance in collector's hands,	29 38	
		\$109 80

LIABILITIES.

Money borrowed of S. Mansfield,	\$200 00	
Money borrowed of C. E. Rockwood,	100 00	
		\$300 00
Town debt,		\$190 20

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1886.

For support of schools,	\$700 00
Town charges,	300 00
State tax,	432 00
County tax,	314 49
Highways and bridges,	600 00
Overlay,	115 63
	\$2462 12
Dog tax for 1886,	\$37 00
Rate of taxation for 1886, \$12 20 on \$1000 00.	

SOLON MANSFIELD, } Selectmen
M. H. FISK, } of
WALTER HEALD, } Temple.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Money in treasury, March 1, 1886,	\$149 99	
Received of Wm. D. Holt, balance of tax of 1885,	47 55	
Of Wm. D. Holt, collector,	2390 24	
Discount on taxes,	76 78	
On town note,	200 00	
On town note,	100 00	
Of selectmen, savings bank tax,	418 47	
Of selectmen, literary fund,	51 20	
Of selectmen, railroad tax,	1 28	
Of Wm. D. Holt, interest on taxes,	4 68	
		\$3440 19
Amount paid by order of selectmen,		3359 77
Balance in treasury,		\$80 42

CHAS. E. ROCKWOOD, Treasurer.

Approved.

W. P. BACON, }
JAMES S. TUTTLE, } Auditors.

SCHOOL REPORT.

The board met at the house of Chas. P. Hayward, March 25th, 1886. After appointing William T. Bacon to fill the vacancy occurring in the board, the following officers were chosen:

For Chairman, Orlo J. Fisk.

Secretary, DeWitt C. Bragdon.

Treasurer, Orlo J. Fisk.

Also chose Orlo B. Fisk to act as superintendent of schools.

Voted to have an equal number of weeks schooling in each district.

Voted to have nine weeks in summer and the remainder in fall or winter.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIVED.

Amount raised by the town for school purposes,	\$700 00
Balance in treasury from last year,	5 02
Literary fund,	51 20
Dog tax,	64 00
W. T. Bacon, cash returned on board,	3 00
A. B. Davidson, clapboards sold, No. 2,	1 27
Total amount for support of schools,	\$824 49
Paid for support of schools,	807 17
Balance in treasury,	\$17 32

PAID.

Cost of schools in each district:

Dist. No. 1,	\$153 45
" " 2,	130 75
" " 3,	132 32
" " 4,	134 20
" " 5,	130 20
" " 6,	126 25
Total expense,	\$807 17
Amount received,	824 49
Balance in treasury, Feb. 22d, 1887,	\$17 32

We have examined the accounts of the treasurer of the board of education, and have found them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JAMES S. TUTTLE,
J. M. SPAULDING,
CHAS. E. ROCKWOOD, } Auditors.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

SUMMER TERM.					WINTER TERM.				
No. of District.	Whole No. Scholars	Av. Attendance.	Length of term in weeks.	Wages of Teachers per month, board included.	No. of District.	Whole No. Scholars.	Av. Attendance.	Length of term in weeks.	Wages of Teachers per month, board included.
1	24	23	9	\$25 00	1	34	30	12	\$29 00
2	20	18	9	21 00	2	22	17	12	29 00
3	9	8	9	21 00	3	14	10	12	25 00
4	9	9	9	21 00	4	12	9	12	25 00
5	9	9	9	21 00	5	12	9	12	25 00
6	6	5	9	21 00	6	6	4	12	25 00

Whole number of scholars in town in the following studies:

Reading.....	{ Summer term	77
	{ Winter term	94
Spelling	{ Summer term	75
	{ Winter term	85
Penmanship	{ Summer term	54
	{ Winter term	73
Arithmetic	{ Summer term	58
	{ Winter term	88
Geography.....	{ Summer term	39
	{ Winter term	52
Grammar	{ Summer term	28
	{ Winter term	32
History	{ Summer term	4
	{ Winter term	5
Composition.....	{ Summer term	9
	{ Winter term	
Physiology	{ Summer term	
	{ Winter term	1
Bookkeeping.....	{ Summer term	2
	{ Winter term	5
Algebra	{ Summer term	3
	{ Winter term	3
Philosophy	{ Summer term	
	{ Winter term	3
Drawing	{ Summer term	
	{ Winter term	
Chemistry	{ Summer term	
	{ Winter term	
Number of scholars in town between the ages of 5 and 15 years.....		87
Number of scholars in town not less than 5 years of age who have attended not less than two weeks during the year.....		92

DISTRICT NO. 1.

The summer term was taught by Miss Helen S. Titus of Hancock. A faithful teacher of several years' experience. The simple fact that seven of the scholars were neither absent nor tardy during the term, shows that teacher, scholars and parents were alike interested in the school. Visits by superintendent, 2; visits by others, 11.

Winter term, taught by Miss Bertha L. Blood of Wilton.

The anxiety shown by the above teacher at the commencement of the term was a guarantee of her success. It was very evident at the close of the school that the time had been well improved. Visits by superintendent, 2; visits by others, 17.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Both summer and winter terms were taught by Miss Helen W. Hadley, a former teacher of the school. This is next to the largest school in town, and considering the number of classes, it seemed to be the opinion of visitors present at the close of each term that excellent results had been obtained.

In the above school Mattie, Jennie and Freddie, children of Wright Davidson, and Bessie, Carrie, Bertie, Everett and Willie, children of A. B. Davidson, were neither absent or tardy during the term. Visits by superintendent, 4; visits by others, 35.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Summer term, taught by Miss Hattie R. Ferrin of Leominster, Mass.

Quite an interest was awakened among the pupils. The school room was a model of order and neatness throughout the term. The floral decorations added much to the attractions of the room. Visits by superintendent, 3; visits by others, 20.

Winter term, taught by Miss Florence Hobart, a former teacher in district No. 4.

Visits by superintendent, 3; by others, 22.

In the above school Nora M. Felt and Johnnie E. Colburn were not tardy or absent during the entire year.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Summer term, taught by Miss Florence Hobart of Brookline.

The term passed quietly, and at the close the members of the district seemed well satisfied with the results. Visits by superintendent, 2; by others, 27.

Winter term, taught by Miss Lilian E. Davison of Wilton.

During the last few weeks several of the smaller scholars were not able to attend, on account of the deep snow and bad weather,

but the exercises of those present at the close seemed to indicate that good progress had been made. Visits by superintendent, 2; visits by others, 28.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

This school was taught throughout the year by Miss E. L. Fairbanks of Peterboro'.

She is a very able teacher of large experience. Owing to illness, the last few days of the winter term were taught by Miss Clara W. Wheeler, a member of the school. The fruits of careful training were well shown here.

Miss Wheeler, although only 15 years of age, at once seemed to command the respect of the scholars, and her work was perfectly satisfactory. Visits by superintendent, 4; visits by others, 10.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Summer term, taught by Miss Ida M. Mason of Greenville.

This was her first term at teaching. Miss Mason possessed good qualifications for a teacher, and commendable progress was made. Visits by superintendent, 2; visits by others, 9.

Winter term, taught by Miss Lizzie W. Hadley of Sharon.

Her former reputation as teacher in this town was well sustained. Visits by superintendent, 2; visits by others, 3.

SUMMARY.

Number of visits by superintendent during the year, 26; number of visits by parents and friends, 182.

In conclusion, I would like to refer the parents to the great and prominent evil in town of absences of scholars from our schools, especially near the close of the term. Absences, of course, must occur now and then, especially in a farming community, where the older ones are often needed at home, but that does not change the fact that it is a great disadvantage to the school. The absent ones not only lose their own schooling, but have a tendency to keep back the other members of their class when they return. A little effort on the part of the parents will do much to remedy the evil.

In conclusion, I will say that, with a few exceptions, the schools of the town have closed with general satisfaction to all.

Thus far no schools have been dropped, as they have been in some of the towns around us, and the indications are that the six districts will be kept up the coming year, as they have been during the past.

Respectfully submitted,

ORLO J. FISKE,	}	Board of Education.
DEWITT C. BRAGDON,		
WM. P. BACON.		

